

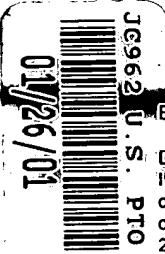
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Docket No: 2309/01213

Box PATENT APPLICATION  
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Sir:

Enclosed please find an application for United States patent as identified below:

Inventor/s (name ALL inventors): Satoshi MIZUTANI, Yuuki NODA and Tatsuya TAMURA

Title: TOP SHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLES, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING IT

including the items indicated:

1. Specification and 9 claims: 2 indep.; 7 dep.; \_ multiple dep.
2. ☒ Executed declaration and power of attorney  
☐ Unexecuted declaration and power of attorney
3. ☒ Formal drawings, 3 sheets (Figs. 1-3)  
☐ Informal drawings, \_ sheets (Figs. )
4. ☒ Assignment for recording to: UNI-CHARM CORPORATION
5. ☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status
6. ☒ Check in amount of \$750.00, (\$710.00 filing; \$40.00 recording)  
(See attached **Fee Computation Sheet**)
7. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement

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9. ☐ Please amend the description by inserting the following paragraph after the line containing the title on page 1:

"This patent application claims the priority of U.S. provisional patent application No. 60/, filed on , which is incorporated herein by reference."

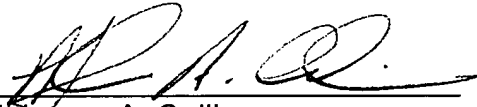
Priority is claimed for this application, corresponding application/s having been filed as follows:

Country:	JAPAN
Number:	2000-025116
Date:	FEBRUARY 2, 2000

The priority document	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is enclosed
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Date: January 26, 2001

Respectfully submitted,



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PATENT FEE COMPUTATION SHEET

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Basic Fee .....				\$710.00
Design Application .....				\$
Plant Application .....				\$
Total Claims	9- 20	=	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	2 - 3	=	x \$80.00	\$
Multiple Dependent Claims		- if so, add	\$270.00	\$
Surcharge for late submission of filing fee and/or declaration (\$130.00) .....				\$
SUBTOTAL .....				\$710.00
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Fee for recordation of assignment (\$40.00) .....				\$40.00
Charge for filing non-English language application (\$130.00) .....				\$
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